IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Eigen, et al.

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REQUEST FOR NEW ACTION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that a new Office action be issued to replace the instant Office action, mailed August 19, 1998; because the instant Office action does not take into account the amendment filed July 21, 1998.

Having recognized that claims submitted in the amendment filed June 1, 1998, contained inadvertent errors in reciting claim dependencies, a supplemental amendment was filed July 21, 1998, to correct these errors. The instant Office action rejects the claims based on grounds that were rendered moot by the amendment filed July 21. A copy of the July 21 amendment and a copy of the PTO date-stamped receipt card are attached.

Accordingly, a new action is requested, which takes into account the amendment filed July 21, and restarts the time period for response.

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